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PATENT  
Attorney Docket No. 04632.0070

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Minoru Hirata et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1793  
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Application No.: 10/582,965 ) Examiner: Kuang Y. Lin  
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Filed: June 15, 2006 )  
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For: Method and Device for Forming ) Confirmation No.: 7716  
Flaskless Cope and Drag, and )  
Method of Replacing Matchplate )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of February 27, 2009. The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

☒ Applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. \$490.00 for the Extension is enclosed.

The claims are calculated below:

|   | Claims Remaining<br>After Amendment |   | Highest Number<br>Previously Paid | Present<br>Extra | Rate    | Additional<br>Fee |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------|-------------------|
| Total   | equivalent of 18                    | - | 24                                |                  | x \$ 52 | \$                |
| Indep.  | 2                                   | - | 3                                 |                  | x \$220 |                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s) |                                     |   |                                   |                  | +\$390  |                   |
| Subtotal  |                                     |   |                                   |                  |         | \$                |
| Reduction by 1/2 if small entity                                      |                                     |   |                                   |                  |         | -                 |
| TOTAL   |                                     |   |                                   |                  |         | \$                |

- ☐ \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.
- ☐ \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☒ \$490.00 to cover the above fee(s) is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account 06-0916.

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW,  
GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

Dated: July 23, 2009

By: \_\_\_\_\_



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